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HER

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ZONE...

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SHOT
IN THE BACK
--BY GEOFFREY?!
WHAT IN
THE WORLD WAS
HE THINKING?!

SONIC THE HEDGEHOG
HERO OF MOBIUS

IXIS NAUGUS
FALLEN DARK WIZARD

MAMMOTH MOGUL
RETIRED VILLAIN

GEOFFREY ST. JOHN
HERO? VILLAIN?



THEN
THE JERK
BOOTS ME
INTO...THIS,
CLASSY.

AND YOU
JUST STOOD
THERE AND
WATCHED!

**FEIST
FOUND IT
AMUSING.**

**EVERY-
THING
IN THE
SPECIAL
ZONE...**

**...IS FOR
FEIST'S
AMUSE-
MENT.**



YEAH,
WELL, FEIST
NEEDS TO FIND
A BETTER
SENSE OF
HUMOR...AND
SOME
PERSONAL
PRONOUNS...



...AND
HOW DO I
GET OUT
OF HERE?



WE CAME HERE PRE-
TENDING TO HELP
SENILE OLD MAX,*
BUT I REALLY
DOUBT GEOFFREY
IS ACTUALLY
GRABBING THE
CHAOS EMERALD
FOR THE OLD
MAN. SO WHAT
THE HECK IS HE
REALLY UP TO?

***SEE LAST
ISSUE.**

CASINO
NIGHT
CLUB...

YOU'LL HAVE TO
EXCUSE MY CAUTION,
COMMANDER
ST. JOHN.

IT'S NOT OFTEN A
SECRET AGENT OF MY
HATED ENEMIES COMES
TO MY PLACE OF
BUSINESS, HARASSES MY
STAFF, AND BRANDISHES
A GEMSTONE OF
UNFATHOMABLE
POWER.

YOU SAID
ALL THAT IN
ONE BREATH.
YOU REALLY
ARE A
TALKER.

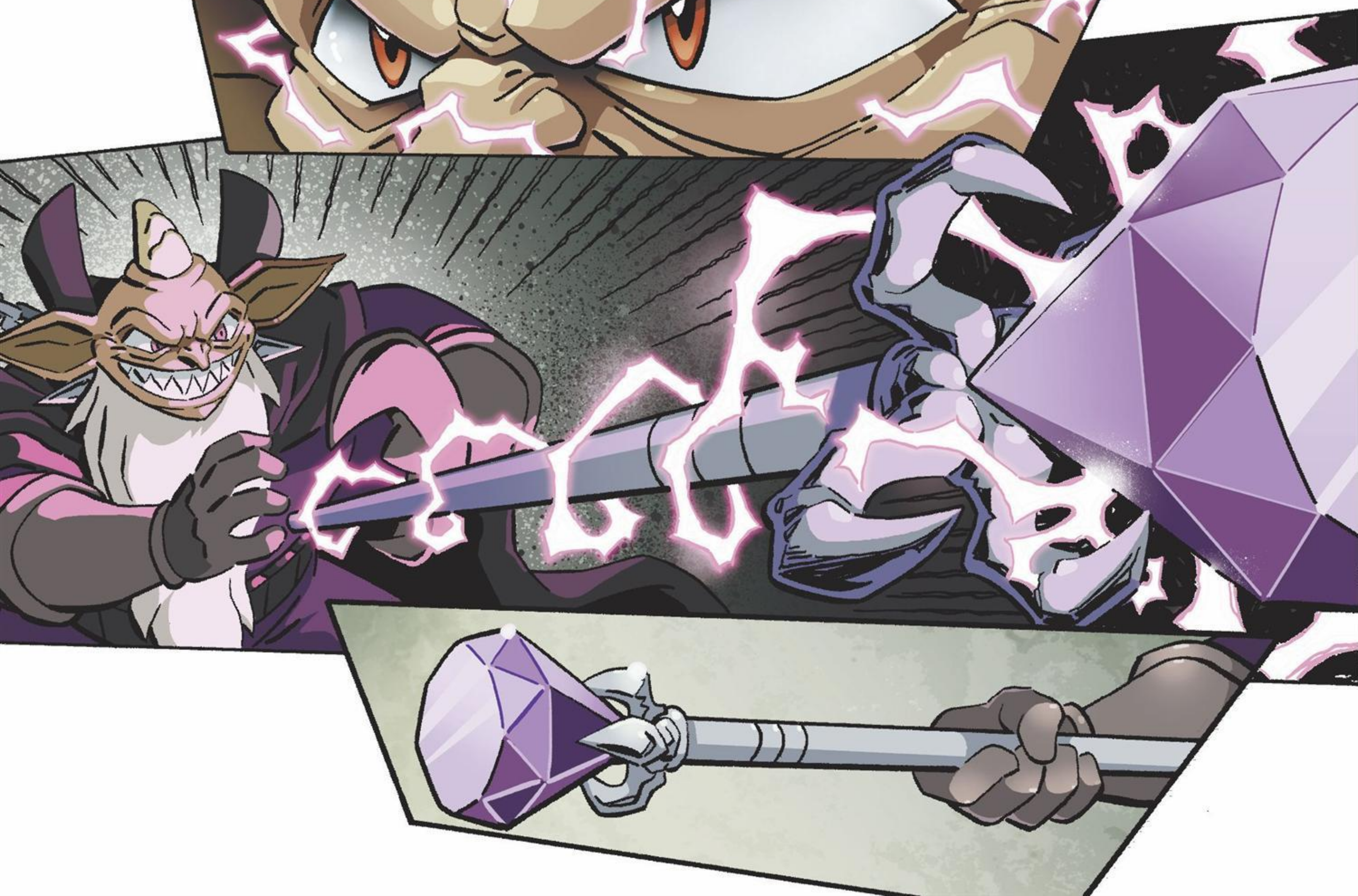
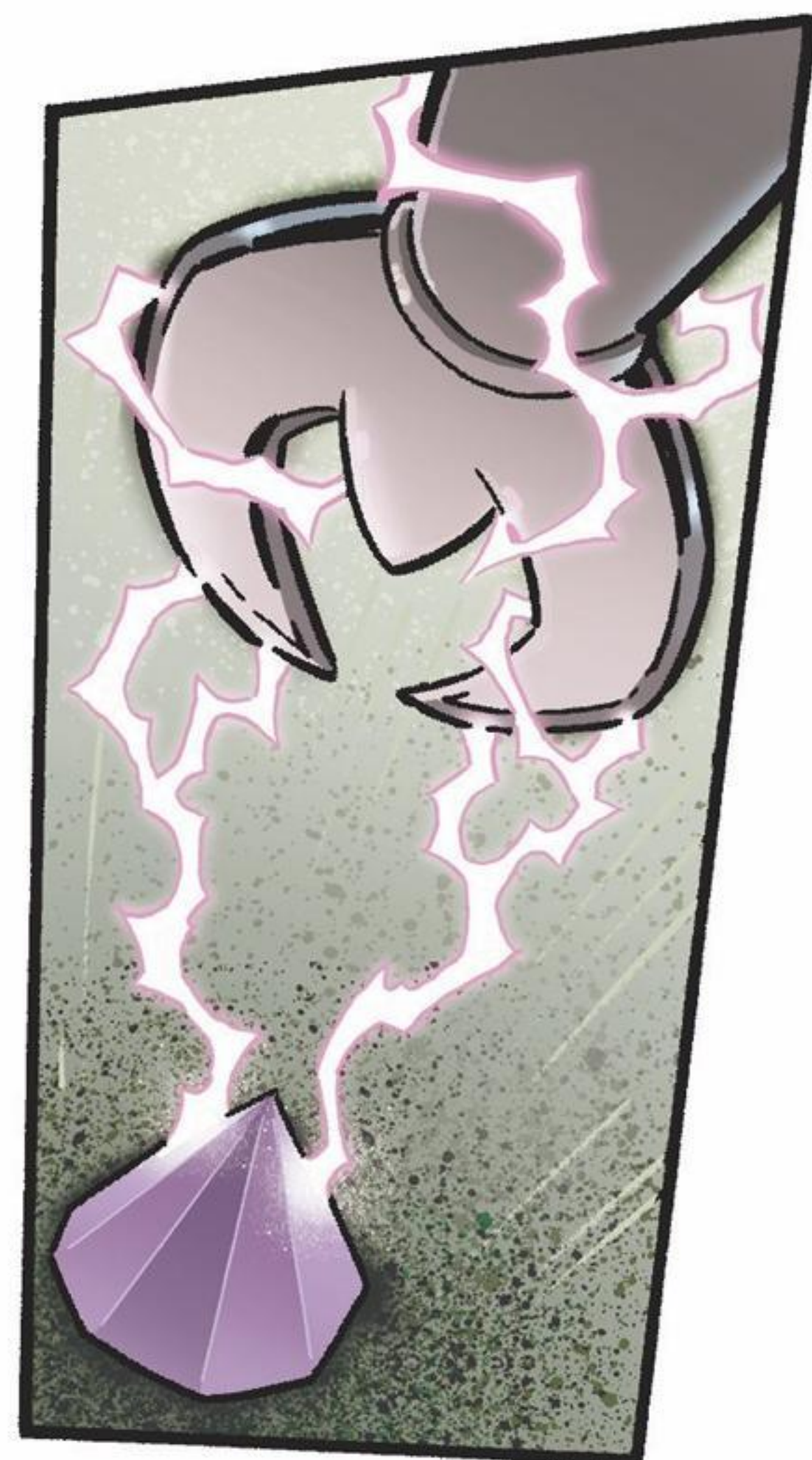
DO NOT
BORE ME
WITH PETTY
INSULTS.

AND YOU ARE MISTAKEN
IF YOU BELIEVE YOU CAN WOO
ME WITH YET ANOTHER
CHAOS EMERALD.

THE
EMERALD
ISN'T
FOR YOU,
MOGUL,
NOR IS
IT FOR
SALE.

IT IS TO
RESTORE
IXIS NAUGUS
TO HIS
FORMER
GLORY.







LET NO
JOYFUL VOICE
BE HEARD! LET
NO ONE LOOK
TO THE SKY
WITH HOPE! AND
LET THIS DAY BE
CURSED FOR
THOSE WHO
WITNESS THE
RETURN OF...

...THIS
NAUGUS
!!!



EXCELLENT
RETURN TO
FORM, SIR!

YOU! LONG HAVE I
SUFFERED INDIGNITY
AT YOUR HANDS! TRAPPED
IN A BROKEN MIND! TREATED
AS AN ANIMAL! YOU HAVE
MUCH TO ANSWER FOR!

YOU
MISERABLE,
WRETCHED
FAILURE
!!!

GAK!

MASTER!

YOU
ARE STILL
RECOVERING,
AND THERE
IS MUCH
WE NEED TO
REVIEW. WE
SHOULD FALL
BACK FOR
NOW.

"PREPARE FOR MY RETURN," I SAID!

"ENSURE THE KINGDOM STANDS," I SAID!

"REMOVE THE ACORNS," I SAID!!!



÷KOFF!÷
÷KOFF!÷
TH-THERE'S STILL A KINGDOM OF SORTS, AND THERE'S STILL A "MOBO-TROPOLIS" FOR YOU TO RULE!



÷KOFF!÷ AND THE ACORN FAMILY WAS NECESSARY TO MAINTAIN STABILITY! I DID THE BEST I COULD! AND IF YOU WANT TO STAND A CHANCE OF TAKING YOUR THRONE BACK, YOU NEED ME!



I'VE BEEN ACTIVE ALL THE TIME YOU'VE SPENT IMPRISONED OR DISABLED. AND UNLIKE YOU, SIR, I HAVE TACT. BRUTE MAGICAL FORCE WON'T WORK FOR WHAT YOU WANT.



BAH! WHAT NEED DO I HAVE FOR YOU?



"WHAT BECAME
OF THE QUICK-
STER AFTER
YOU SHOT HIM?"



**ALL YOU
DO IS FALL.
THIS BORES
FEIST.**

THERE'S
NOT MUCH I
CAN DO, BIG GUY.
YOU'RE THE ONE
WITH GODLIKE
POWERS. YOU
DO SOME-
THING.



**VERY WELL!
DISPLAY YOUR
SKILLS TO FEIST,
AND YOU WILL
FIND YOUR WAY
HOME!**



NOW
THAT'S
MORE
LIKE
IT!



WOO!

BWONK

BWONK

BWONK

BWONK

BWONK

SO CLOSE!
WILL YOU
FALL BACK
INTO THE
VOID?

BWONK

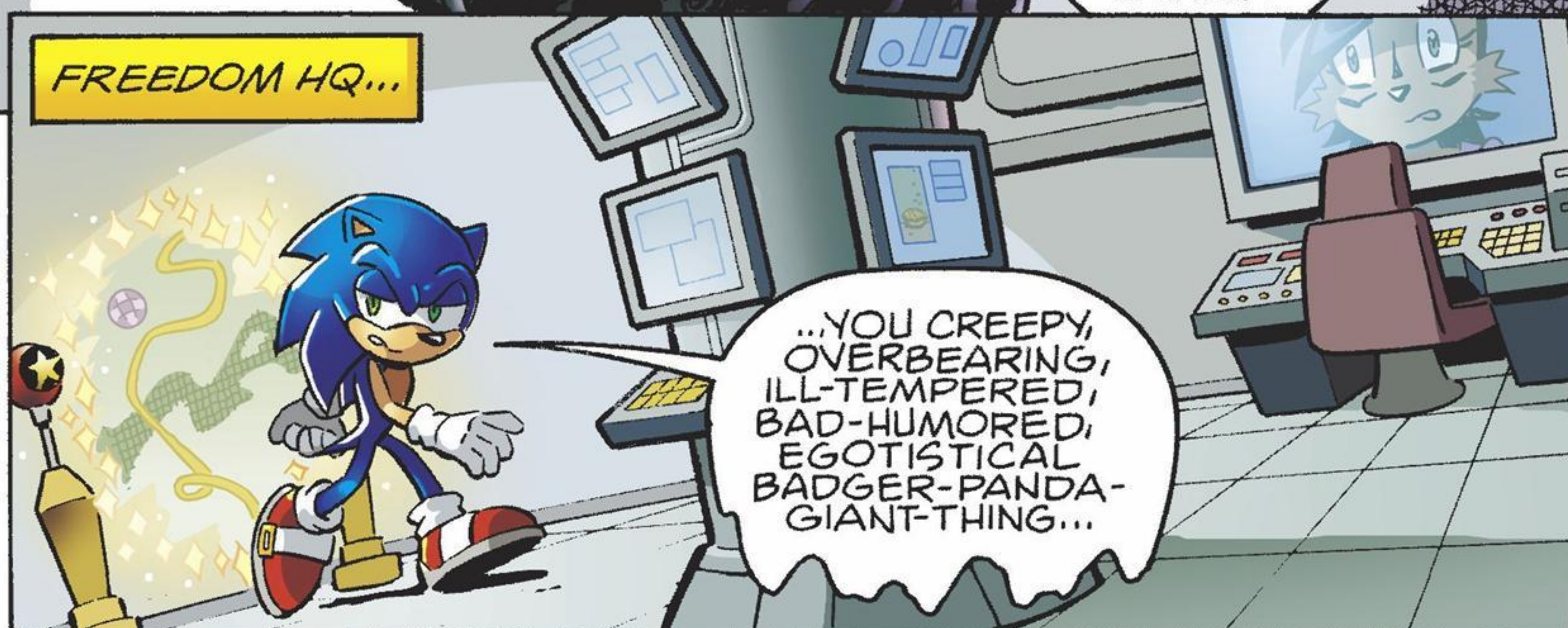
I'VE HAD
ABOUT
ALL THE
FUN I CAN
STAND HERE
TODAY!



HA HA HA!
DELIGHTFUL!
YOU ARE
FEIST'S
FAVORITE!

I AIM
TO PLEASE.
SEE YOU
LATER...

FREEDOM HQ...

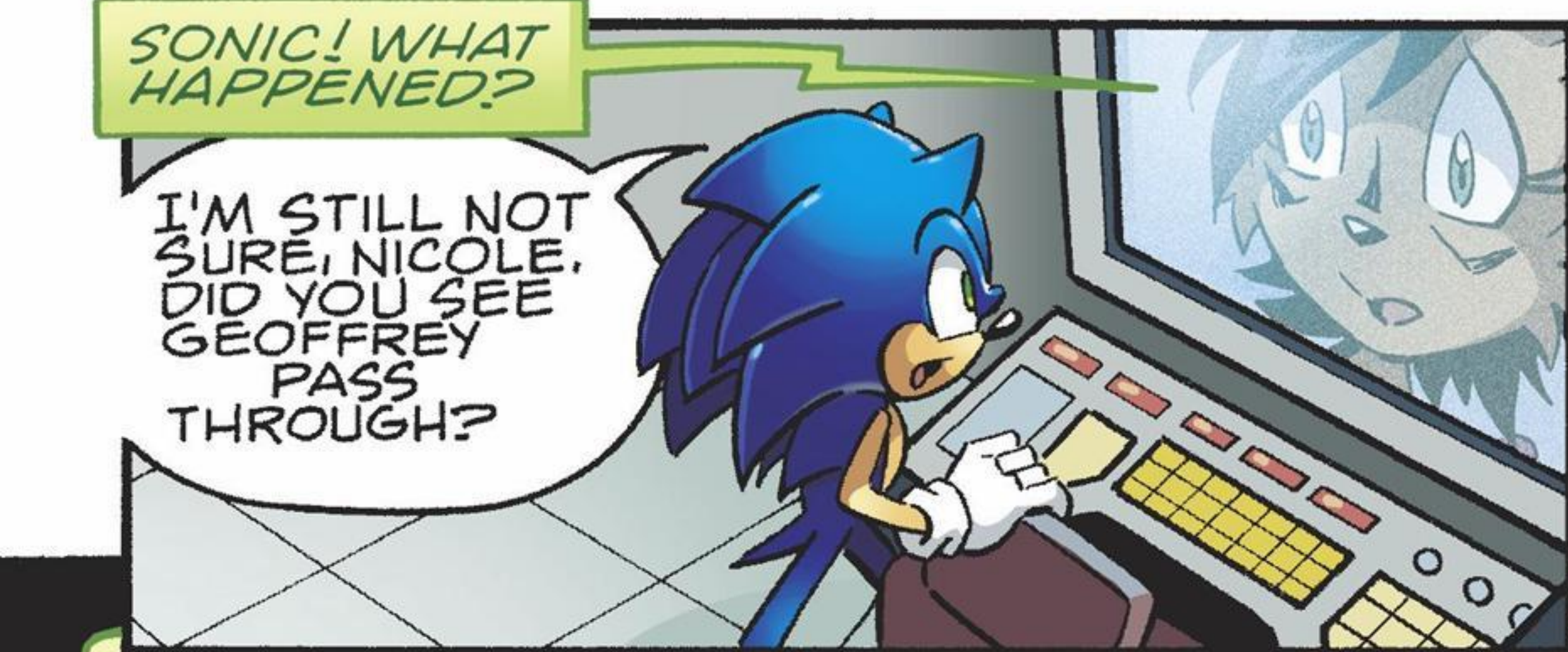


...YOU CREEPY,
OVERBEARING,
ILL-TEMPERED,
BAD-HUMORED,
EGOTISTICAL
BADGER-PANDA-
GIANT-THING...

SONIC! WHAT
HAPPENED?

I'M STILL NOT
SURE, NICOLE.
DID YOU SEE
GEOFFREY
PASS
THROUGH?

WELL, I DETECTED THAT
SOMEONE HAD RETURNED,
AND WITH A CHAOS
EMERALD, BUT NOBODY
ANSWERED ME. I LEFT
THE PORTAL OPEN
JUST IN CASE.



THANKS FOR THAT.
THAT WOULD HAVE
BEEN A NIGHTMARE
IF IT WERE CLOSED.

"TELL THE COUNCIL OF
ACORN I'M ON MY
WAY BACK..."



"...AND THAT
I'VE GOT
SOME BAD
NEWS."

LATER--CASTLE ACORN...

...AND THEN HE GAVE ME THE BOOT RIGHT INTO THE BRINK. IT TOOK ME THIS LONG JUST TO GET OUT OF THE SPECIAL ZONE AND BACK HERE.



AND THROUGH THE STORM, NO LESS. SO, SORRY FOR THE PUDDLE.



DOCTOR QUACK, YOU'VE BEEN ATTENDING TO MY ...TO MAXIMILLIAN. DO YOU BELIEVE HE'S...WELL... PLOTTING TO RETAKE THE THRONE?



IT'S NO SECRET YOUR FATHER HAS ENDURED PHYSICAL AND MENTAL TRAUMA THAT WOULD'VE BROKEN MOST MEN MANY TIMES OVER. IT'S TAKING ITS TOLL. BUT I CAN ASSURE YOU...

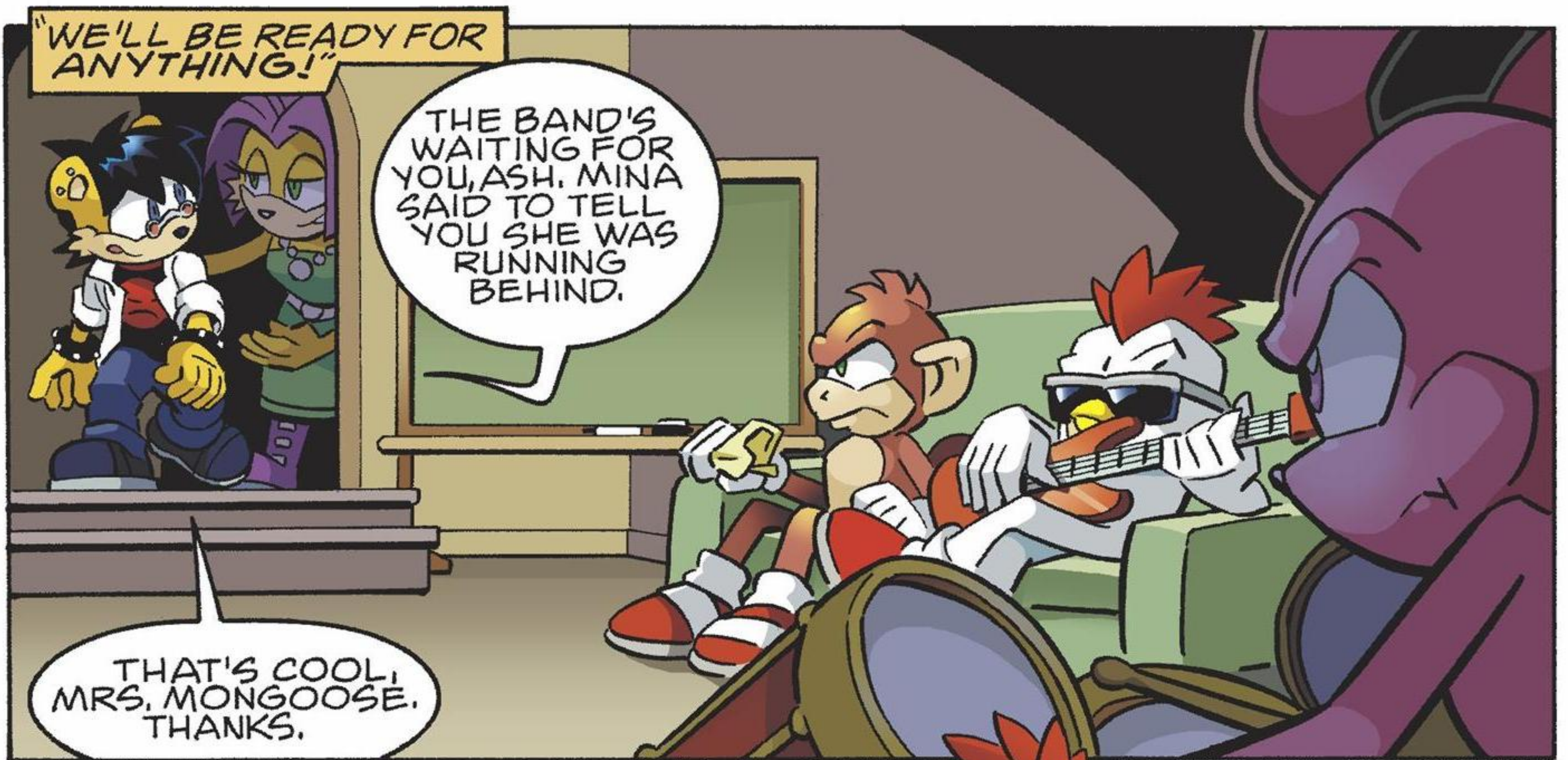


"...HE'S NO THREAT TO ANYONE OR ANYTHING."

"HIS GOOD DAYS ARE GETTING FEWER AND FARTHER BETWEEN."







ACTUALLY...

...I TOLD HER
TO TONE IT
DOWN A BIT.

...BUT THE PEOPLE OF THIS
CITY **NEED** TO HEAR THIS.
THIS ALBUM IS DRIVING OUR
NEXT CONCERT. THERE **NEEDS**
TO BE A CHANGE, AND I **KNOW**
OUR MUSIC CAN MAKE IT
HAPPEN!

YEAH, BUT WHY
DO WE HAVE TO
DO IT? I **LIKED**
PLAYING POP.

YEAH.

GUYS,
I KNOW
THIS IS WAY
DIFFERENT
THAN WHAT
WE USUALLY
PLAY...

NICOLE USED HER
NANITES TO MAKE
ALL YOUR INSTRU-
MENTS, NOT TO
MENTION
THIS
WHOLE HOUSE.

IF SHE LOST
CONTROL
AGAIN, THIS
ENTIRE
ROOM
COULD
EAT US.

EXACTLY.

NOW LET'S
START
WORKING,
PEOPLE!
THIS MUSIC IS
ROUGH, AND
NEEDS LOTS
OF LOVE!

"I SEE, MUCH HAS
TRANSPIRED IN
MY ABSENCE..."

CONCERT IN
3 WEEKS

"ENERJAK, THE NEW
CITY, THE IRON
DOMINION..."

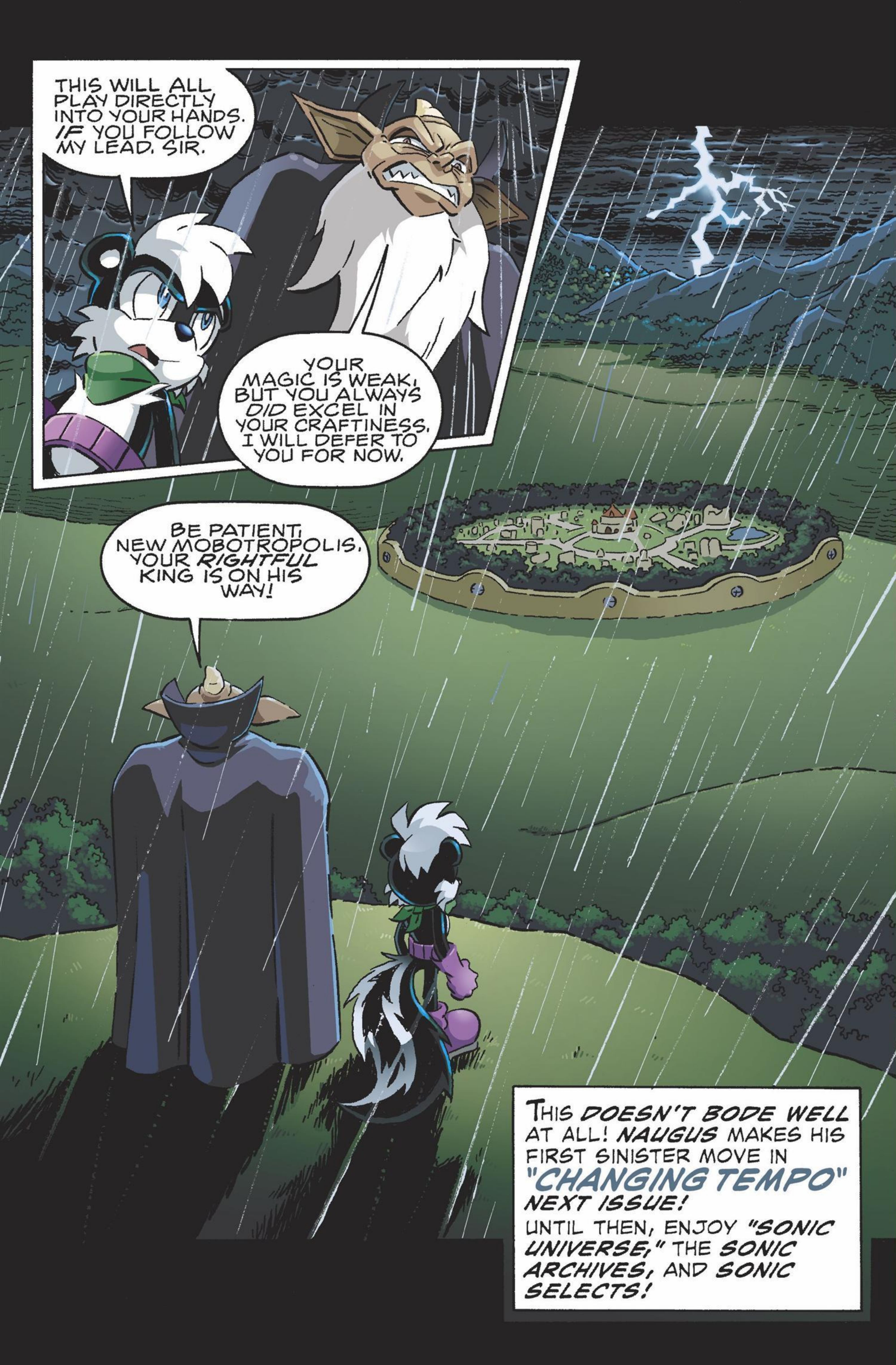
"THEY'VE BEEN
RUN RAGGED."



"THEY'LL
NEVER SEE ME
COMING, AND WHAT
OF ROBOTNIK?"



"AT THIS POINT,
ANYTHING HE
DOES ONLY
HELPS US."



THIS WILL ALL
PLAY DIRECTLY
INTO YOUR HANDS.
IF YOU FOLLOW
MY LEAD, SIR.

YOUR
MAGIC IS WEAK,
BUT YOU ALWAYS
DID EXCEL IN
YOUR CRAFTINESS.
I WILL DEFER TO
YOU FOR NOW.

BE PATIENT,
NEW MOBOTROPOLIS.
YOUR *RIGHTFUL*
KING IS ON HIS
WAY!

THIS DOESN'T BODE WELL
AT ALL! NAUGUS MAKES HIS
FIRST SINISTER MOVE IN
"CHANGING TEMPO"
NEXT ISSUE!

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AH!
YOU'RE AWAKE!
GOOD! GOOD!
I WANTED YOU
TO BE WITH ME
DURING THIS
LAST LITTLE
BIT!

WH...
WHERE
AM
...?

YOU'RE
SAFE AND SOUND
IN THE EGGDOME.
YOU TOOK A NASTY
SPILL--SO TO SPEAK.
BUT I SAVED YOU.
REBUILT YOU.
I HAVE THE
TECHNOLOGY,
AFTER ALL.



SIMPLE ENERGY AND
MATTER CONVERSIONS
THAT HAVEN'T BEEN
PROPERLY DOCUMENTED
BY GOOD, HARD SCIENCE
YET, THAT'S ALL, BUT I
DIGRESS...



ANYWAY! ALL THOSE CHIPS
ARE INTACT, AND I LET YOU KEEP
YOUR SPECIAL COMMAND CHIP.
THAT KIND OF RUTHLESSNESS
SHOULD BE REWARDED, AND
IT MIGHT COME IN HANDY FOR
ME ONE DAY,

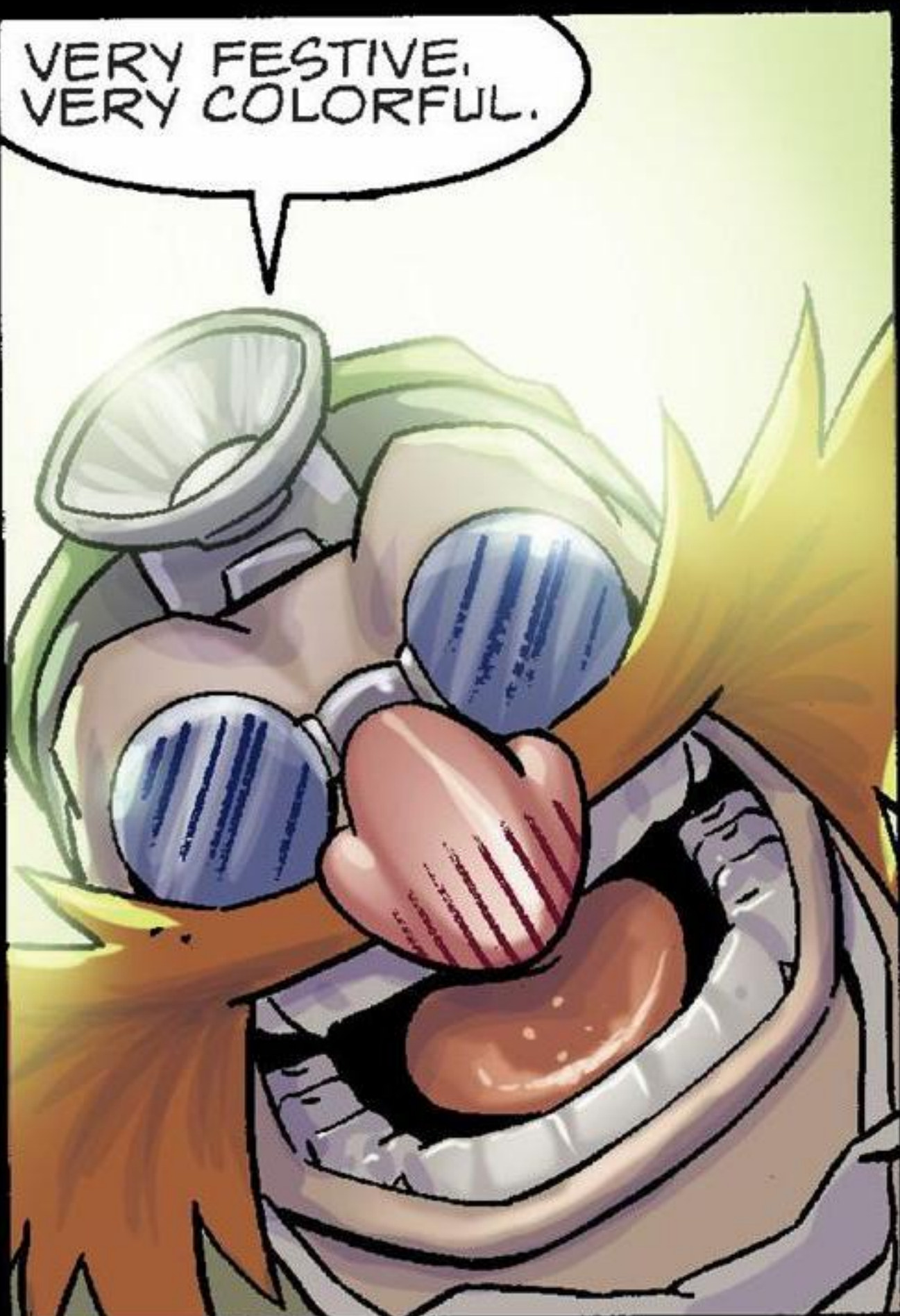


I RECALIBRATED THE
DETONATION SIGNAL,
THOUGH, IF YOU OR ANY
OF YOUR ECHIDNA-
BUDDIES CROSS ME...

...YOU'RE ALL
GOING UP LIKE A
FIREWORKS
FESTIVAL.



VERY FESTIVE,
VERY COLORFUL.



AND SPEAKING OF
TAKING LIBERTIES WITH
YOU AND YOUR PEOPLE,
I'M ALL DONE! TAKE A
LOOK...



OH,
NO
...!



...LIEN-DA.



I'M...
BEAUTIFUL.
YOU FIXED
EVERY-
THING...



NOT ENTIRELY
TRUE. YOU HAVE EVEN
MORE INTERNAL
CYBERNETICS THAN
BEFORE, AND A FEW
NEW LIMBS AND UP-
GRADES, BUT WITH MY
CRAFTSMANSHIP, NO-
BODY WILL BE ABLE
TO TELL THE
DIFFERENCE.



...WHY
?!

HMM?

YOU BOMBED AND
BUTCHERED MY PEOPLE
TO THE BRINK OF
EXTINCTION!



YOU'VE
ROBBED OUR
ORGANIZATION
OF ANY DIGNITY!
YOU COULD HAVE
LEFT ME FOR DEAD,
OR *WORSE*--MADE
ME LIKE DIMITRI. WHY
ARE YOU SHOWING ME
ANY SHRED OF MERCY
OR DECENCY?!



BECAUSE
IT'S ALL
PART OF THE
GAME.



GAME?
WHAT
GAME?

WHY, THE SAME GAME I'VE
BEEN PLAYING WITH
SNIVELY FOR YEARS. THE
SAME GAME I PLAY WITH
ALL OF MY GRAND-
MASTERS. THINK OF
IT AS A ROULETTE
OF TRUST.



I KNOW EVERY
SINGLE ONE OF
YOU IS BIDDING YOUR
TIME. YOU'RE ALL
WAITING FOR THE
PERFECT MOMENT
TO TURN ON ME.
AND TAKE MY
EMPIRE FOR
YOURSELVES.



BUT UNTIL THEN, YOU
ALL SERVE TO YOUR
FULLEST. BECAUSE
THE STRONGER YOU
MAKE ME, THE MORE
YOU'LL REAP IN THE
END. IF YOU MANAGE
TO TURN ON ME AND
SURVIVE, THAT IS,
SO WHAT DO YOU SAY,
GRANDMASTER
LIEN-DA?



I SAY,
"LET THE
GAMES
BEGIN."



(NOT) THE END

the SONIC SPIN

we can editorially comment - we have the technology!

2011 PREVIEW EDITION!

If you thought 2010 was awesome, just you wait! I thought I'd take this month's editorial page to give y'all a sneak peek of some of the pure awesomeness heading your way, courtesy of everyone's favorite true-blue hero, SONIC THE HEDGEHOG!

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Catch ya next month!

Paul

"I'VE FIGURED IT ALL OUT."
~ DR. EGGMAN, SONIC #210

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CHAOS EMERALD
CHECK-UP!

I, MAMMOTH
MOGUL, HAVE
THE GREY ONE.



IXIS NAUGUS,
SORCERER SUPREME, HAS
THE PURPLE ONE!



G.U.N. HAS
SECURED THE
RED & GREEN
ONES.



AND I'LL HELP MYSELF TO THE
REST IF YOU DON'T MIND!

PUT THOSE
BACK!



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Dear Sonic Grams,
I love the comics.

Now, THAT is the way to start a letter.

I would say that I am Sonic fan #20 because I love the comics and I am behind Amber and Cariane and Tyler.

Your humility delights and intrigues me. Go on...

And I have some questions.

Let the inquiry to begin!

1) Does is hurt to be roboticized?

Well I've never been roboticized, so I couldn't say for sure - but if you're turned into a robot you would never really be able to feel pain again, so I would say no.

2) Does Sonic like Amy or Sally?

At the end of Sonic #212 it sure looked like Sonic and Sally were gearing up for another go at a relationship, but I will say this: very soon you WILL have a definitive answer to that question!

BTW I am Son/Amy 4 life.

So is Amy!

And Monkey Khan just stood around during all the drama! The Monkey is smooth.

Khan is over the drama, methinks.

4) Are Shadow or Silver evil?

Evil? Nah, I wouldn't say "evil" at all! Check out Sonic Universe Arc #6 - "Treasure Team Tango" (going on

right now!!) to catch a glimpse of Shadow's true heroic intentions!

Keep on keepin' on!

**C.T.C.
from Virginia**

Thanks for the letter, C.T!

Dear Sonic-Grams,
I love the idea of "super" Sonic characters like Super Sonic, Super Shadow, Super Silver and others, but I have one question: Why doesn't Sonic stay in his "super" form all of the time?

**Thanks,
Myles R.
from Washington**

To achieve "super" form, you need a certain amount of access to the chaos energy found in Chaos Emeralds or Power Rings. Seeing as how the Chaos Emeralds aren't around Sonic all the time it wouldn't really be possible to be "super" all of the time. Plus if he was yellow 24/7 he wouldn't be our "true blue" hero!

Dear Sonic Grams,
My sister, Linzie, and I came up with a list of questions for you, so I hope you're ready.

Fire away!

But before we ask any questions, you know we can't help but tell you once again that SONIC COMICS ROCK!!!! And thanks for making them rock so hard!

We rock because we care.

1) Has there ever

been a Sonic Heroes tie-in?

Directly? Not really. But Sonic heroes is one of those games that influenced the Sonic comics more than most on a variety of levels. (get it, LEVELS? heh) All you have to do is turn to the team-based mayhem tearing through Sonic Universe at this very moment in "Treasure Team Tango"!

2) What about a tie-in for Sonic Rush or Sonic Rush Adventure?

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3) Can Scourge perform "Chaos Control"?

We shall see...

4) Do Scourge, Shadow or Ray have any love interests?

Shadow tried to get with Sally one time in a possible-future and it didn't turn out so hot. Scourgey-poo has been getting awfully friendly with Fiona and Ray's WAY too young.

Thanks for reading our letter!

**Rachel & Linzie G.
from Indiana**

P.S. - rachel loves tails! <3

Thanks for the letter, girls! Did Rachel love "The Tails Adventure" over in SU?? See ya next month!

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LOOK OUT, SONIC! IXIS NAUGUS IS BACK!

So what does the evil wizard's return have to do with Mina's brand new concert tour?

You'll find out next month in ...

"CHANGING TEMPO"

ON SALE THE WEEK OF 02/08/11

NEXT SONIC UNIVERSE: 24



DON'T MISS: TREASURE TEAM TANGO! THE CONCLUSION

ALL 4 TEAMS HAVE FORMED, - BUT WHO WILL END UP WITH THE SHINIINY?

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